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SECSTATE FOR A/SY/FO, NAIROBI FOR RSS AND KARACHI FOR RMO

- 1. WITH PROPOSED VISIT OF GOE PRESIDENT SADAT TO JERUSALEM, RSO AND POST CONCERNED OVER POSSIBLE HEITHENED THREAT TO SECURITY OF AMBASSADOR AND EMBASSY.
- 2. DISSIDENT PALESTINIAN, LIBYANS AND OTHER DISSIDENT ARAB FACTIONS COULD ATTEMPT TO STOP SUCH A VISIT BY ASSASSINATION OF SADAT; AND, SINCE MEDIA HAS IDENTIFIED U.S. AS A "MIDDLEMAN" IN THIS OPERATION, THE U.S. AMBASSADOR AND EMBASSY CAIRO COULD BE A TARGET OF DISSIDENT ARAB FRUSTRATIONS.
- 3. TO COMBAT THIS THREAT, THE RSO HAS DISCUSSED SITUATION WITH ALL MSG'S AND LOCAL POLICE. ADDITIONAL ARMED POLICE OFFICERS ARE BEING REQUESTED FOR EMBASSY PERIMETER SECURITY AND THE RSO HAS REQUESTED POLICE SUPERVISION EXPLAIN THE POSSIBLE THREAT TO EACH OFFICER ASSIGNED TO THIS PERIMETER DUTY. FURTHER, MSG'S AND LOCAL GUARDS HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO TIGHTEN UP ACCESS CONTROLS TO EMBASSY AND RESIDENCE. MSG'S HAVE BEEN CONFIDENTIAL

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INSTRUCTED TO CLOSELY MONITOR METAL DETECTOR FRISK OF VISITORS CONDUCTED BY LOCAL GUARDS. MSG'S WERE REMINDED THAT DUE TO INTERNATIONAL SCOPE, TERRORIST NEED NOT BE ARAB IN APPEARANCE, BUT COULD BE ANY NATIONALITY.

4. MAJOR PROBLEM EXISTS IN NUMBER OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN PROGRESS ON EMBASSY GROUNDS ON WHICH

CONTRACTOR USES DAILY-HIRE WORKERS. THESE INDIVIDUALS
ARE, THEREFORE, GIVEN SPECIAL CHECKS WHEN ENTERING
EMBASSY GROUNDS.
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